



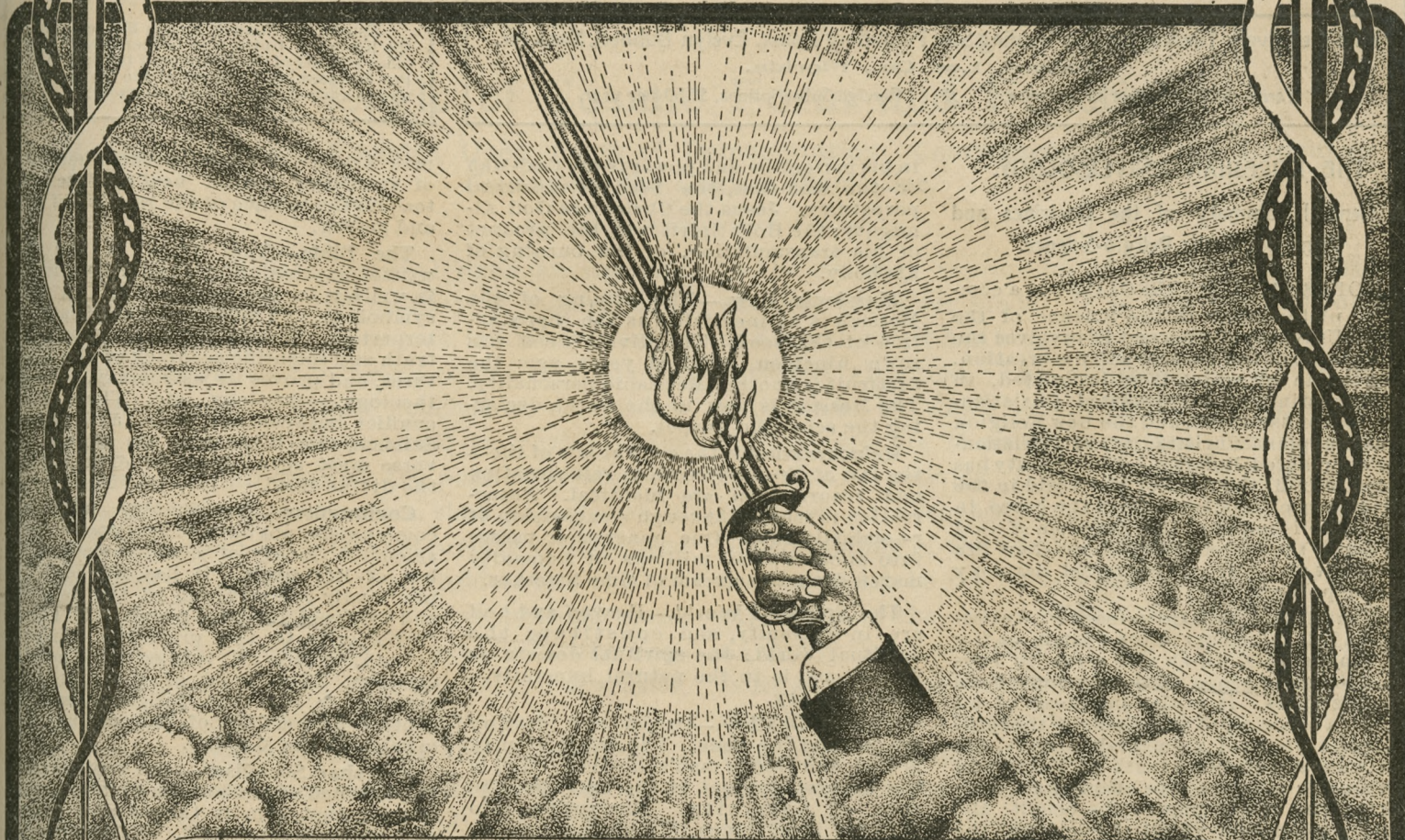
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## THE KORESHAN UNIVERSOLOGY.

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**Theology.**—God is personal and biune, with a triunity of specific attributes. God

in his perfection and power is the God-Man or the Man-God, the Seed of universal perpetuity. Jesus the Christ was God Almighty; the Holy Spirit was the product of his transmutation, or the burning of his body.

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**Reincarnation** is the central law of life—the law of the resurrection; reincarnation and resurrection are identical. Resurrection is reached through a succession of re-embodiments. One generation passes into another; the millions of humanity march down the stream of time together.

**The Spiritual World.**—Heaven and hell are in humanity, and constitute the spiritual world; the spiritual domain is mental, and is in the natural humanity—not in the sky.

**Human Destiny.**—Origin and destiny are one and the same. The origin of man is God, and God is man's destiny. God is the highest product of the universe, the apex of humanity. Absorption into Nirvana is entrance into eternal life—in the interior spheres of humanity, not in the sky or atmosphere.

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**Koreshan Socialism.**—Our Social System is patterned after the form of the natural cosmos; that form is the natural expression of the laws of order. We demonstrate the fallacy of competition; advocate the destruction of the money power; the control of the products of industry by the government, and the equitable distribution of the goods of life. Koreshanity will abolish wage slavery, and make it impossible for men to accumulate wealth and impoverish the people.

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# The Flaming Sword

*"And He placed at the East of the garden of Eden cherubim and a Flaming Sword, which turned every way to keep the Way of the Tree of Life."*

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## The Logic of Cosmic Form and Function.

The Koreshan System Founded Upon Facts of Demonstration; Comprehension of the Language of Causation; the Logical Plumb-line.

FROM THE WRITINGS OF KORESH.

EVERY PROPOSITION founded upon an assumption is exposed to the liability of leading to a fallacious deduction. It does not follow, because a premise is assumed, that a logical course of argument will inevitably lead to a false conclusion. Conjecture might in one case in ten thousand be right, but the chances are nearly all against the possibility of guessing correctly. We say, therefore, that any system of "science" built upon a conjectured premise is uncertain, and consequently unworthy the consideration of a scientific mind. The word science means nothing more, nothing less, than knowledge. If you define the English word *knowledge*, you have a definition of *science*, the corresponding word of Latin origin.

The first important step in the acquisition of knowledge is to define geometrical contour by the aid of trigonometry, in the measurement of vertical, horizontal, and curvilinear angles. It has been stated that figures will not lie. In other words, mathematics is an exact science. The application of mathematics to the demonstration of a proposition, may either lead to a correct or false conclusion. This depends entirely upon the correctness of the first step towards the solution of the mathematical problem; upon the truth or fallacy of the premise. We challenge the world to show us regarding any of the so called sciences, excepting mathematics, that their propositions are demonstrable upon the basis of absolutely true premises.

Cosmic form and function have their origin, or we might say existence, in an adequate cause. In Koreshan Science we say this cause is perpetually operative, and that the physical universe is a perpetual form.

In the ordinary conception of creation, the world or universe was never made. It is here both as to form and function. It has been here in a perpetual and perpetuated structure. The processes by which it remains, and by which it will remain throughout the endless ages, are those of perpetually creative or reformulative activity. The physical universe is the result of an adequate cause; and for this reason an understanding of the forms and offices of the physical universe must be the book which contains the written expression of the cause—whatsoever that may be; and a correct interpretation of this written expression must so define the cause as to leave no room to doubt the character of its origin. Whatsoever is written in this great Book of books must be accepted when correctly read, as the unmistakable rendering of the character of the source whence it is derived.

If person is written in this book, person must obtain in the cause, otherwise cause and effect are not equal. If pain is written in the book, pain must be in the cause. If light or darkness, or heat or cold are in the book, these exist in their source; otherwise there is an inadequacy in the relations of cause and effect. If voluntary power is a property of life, or of being, voluntary power must exist in the cause; and equally, if involuntary power is written in the book, involuntary power must also be in the cause. If evil is in the book, evil must also be in the cause.

If the above postulates be not true, then we are driven to the dilemma that good can produce evil, and that all we see and feel, whether it be light or darkness, or pleasure or pain, have one common origin in which

none of these things primarily obtain, and that all effects are modifications of activity having no adequate source of causation. The character of causation has not been comprehensively understood from the study of the things or products of the source of causation, exhibited to our observation and submitted to our circumspection and furnishing us our instruction, because there has been no adequate knowledge of the relation of cause, sequence, and effect.

Premises of a theological and so called "scientific" character have been jumped at, and all conclusions have corresponded with the nature of the premise. Koreshanity furnishes a demonstrated premise or groundwork of its belief, and from this basis reaches its deductions so absolutely that whether it be a question of theology, anthropology, or cosmogony, there can be no controversion of the positions to which logical argument inevitably leads. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." In other words, the right conception of God and the conformity of your life to that conception, will bring truth and life in all things.

Koreshanity takes first in its hand, the plummet. As the first step in the establishment of truth we do not state a proposition which we have assumed, and then introduce a premise agreeing with the general proposition, and from this premise proceed to confirm the proposition. This is the so called "scientific" method; it is not *the* scientific method. Let us take, then, the plumb-line. Suspend the plummet from a fixed point, and ask ten thousand people familiar with terms the position of that line, and they all agree. The line, they say, is perpendicular. There is no opportunity for controversy, nor is there a possibility for difference of opinion. We have taken the first step in the demonstration of truth, and towards the formulation of a proposition which, when arrived at, will be the inevitable deduction of logical premise, sequence, and effect or conclusion.

We start then with a line upon the position of which there can be no possible chance of dispute. At the point from which the plumb-line is suspended, we start with a line drawn due east at a right angle to the perpendicular first described. Our effort is to demonstrate a premise which may be taken as a starting point for all future reasoning, and which will lead to one final, undeniable, and uniform belief in structural organism.

We have described two lines at right angles, the first one perpendicular, the second horizontal. If we extend this second line drawn at right angles from the first, or from the perpendicular, to the visual limit or vanishing point of geolinear perspective, the line touches the horizon; so called because it is on a level with the

horizontal line, or on a level with the point from which the plumb-line is suspended. Draw another line from the same vertical point extending due west, till the horizontal vanishing point is reached. We have now described a chord, the two extremities of which are the eastern and western horizon points. The perpendicular and horizontal lines describe the two right angle sides of a curvo-rectilinear triangle, the curved side of which is the line drawn from the point at the horizon to the base of the perpendicular line. This last line is described by geolinear contour or curve. The *co-sine* of this geolinear curve reaches to the other extremity of the arc, these *co-sines* measuring the length of the arc.

In this premise we find three primary elements—namely, the chord, reaching from horizon to horizon; the *radius vector* or perpendicular, extending from the middle of this chord, or from a point in it half way between its two extremes, down to the bottom of the arc; then the arc describing a base line from extremity to extremity of the chord. This relation of chord, perpendicular or radius vector, and arc, incontrovertibly describes the contour of the earth as a concavity or shell, in opposition to the commonly accepted idea of a globe or ball, having a habitable convex surface.

That men can be so densely stupid as to set aside every indication of fact, and ignore the common principles of perception and reason in the determination to bolster a ridiculous hypothesis having not one element of proof nor common sense to recommend it, is the miracle of modern times.



#### APPEARANCE VERSUS REALITY.

The Modern Astronomy Fails to Distinguish Between Hypothesis and Fact and Leads to Fallacious Conclusions.

FROM THE WRITINGS OF KORESH.

**T**HERE IS A MARKED distinction between facts and hypotheses, which may be either true or false; yet this distinction is almost if not altogether lost sight of by the student of modern science. The sun appears to rise in the east and set in the west, with the illusion that he traverses space in an orbit which encircles the earth. This appearance is a fact, and so far as it goes, constitutes knowledge or science. This appearance of the sun's motion is said by astronomers to be occasioned by the revolution of the earth upon its axis. This statement is an hypothesis which may be either true or false. If we go into the open prairie, far removed from undulations or unevenness of surface, the appearance is that from our point of vision, the earth's surface in every direction is an ascent, and we appear to be standing in the center of a concave or basin.

As we move, whichever way we travel, we appear to

be traveling uphill. If we are out upon the ocean, a like phenomenon meets our vision. Hence the appearance of the earth, viewed from points where there are no deviations from the regular contour of its surface, is that of a concave sphere rather than a convex globe. The appearance is a fact; that is, it is a fact that it so appears. This fact, so far as it goes, constitutes knowledge or science. If we should state from this fact or appearance that the earth is not a convex sphere or globe, but on the other hand a concave sphere and that we occupy the interior surface of the earth instead of its exterior, the statement would be an hypothesis, which might be either true or false. It is the mixing up of facts with hypotheses which gives to the theories of the physicist a plausibility both alluring and deceptive.

The physicist, like the theologian, starts out with the intuition that there was a beginning. With him the concept obtains that there existed a time when the mass which now comprises the physical universe was formless and chaotic. Whether or not this fundamental idea or concept is the result of early theological bias, we shall not now conjecture. It is true that here at least, the physicist and theologian stand upon common ground as to their faith. Moses in his description of creation declared: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." There is no more important inquiry to the true scientist than this question of the beginning.

As fundamental properties of being we have quality, time, and space. With each of these three properties we entertain the concepts of inception, duration and limitation. If we examine quality as a fundamental property of being we entertain the ideas of high or low, interior and exterior, refined or gross, with their two extremes or limitations—the highest, most interior, most refined or subtle; and the lowest, most exterior or gross, with all intermediate conditions. If we examine space as a fundamental property of being, the mind rests upon a center as one limitation and a circumference as the other.

The solar system, according to the commonly accepted theory, has its center and circumference. Not only is the sun supposed to be the source (beginning as to space) of the light and heat of his system, but he must also be the source or origin of the laws which govern orbital and axial or rotary motion. While the mind contemplates these facts of the law of limitation, it need not necessarily be confined to the first or primary limit. The sun is supposed to be the center of a system of worlds called the solar system. He is supposed to possess, so far as his heat and light are concerned, various degrees of potency proportionable to the distance reached by the light and heat emitted from him. If there be a gradual diminution of the sun's force or action upon surrounding objects, upon which he exerts

his influence, there will be reached some point, however remote, where his influence ceases to be exerted. Beyond this he has no power. If this be true of his light and heat, it would be equally so of every force generated in and transmitted from him.

By a knowledge of the ratio of diminution in the action of the sun's force upon remote objects, such point of limitation may be easily estimated. Not only does it appear that there exists a point of the limitation of the activity of the sun's force, but it is a mathematically calculable distance. From the sun's gradual changes in his relation to the fixed stars it is supposed that he is moving in an orbit of his own, carrying with him in this orbit the system of worlds called the solar system. The star Alcyone, of the constellation Taurus, in the group Pleiades, is supposed to be the great center around which the solar system revolves. Other systems of worlds are also supposed to be traveling around this center, Alcyone. The distance to Alcyone is supposed to be incalculably great. He must therefore occupy a position in space beyond the limitation of the sun's attractive force and cannot therefore exert any influence upon the sun, for to exert such influence, the sun, to Alcyone, must possess a reciprocal action. In view of these facts the present system of astronomical physics (not science) falls to the ground.

Let us suppose the sun to be the center of the solar system. If the system has a center it also has a circumference. This is a fundamental law of form. The sun would be the center of the space embraced in his system. Either this center or its correlate circumference would be the origin of the activities engendered in the system. If the sun is the point of positive activity he would be the beginning or head of the system as to space; and though he had existed from all eternity, and is to be perpetuated to all eternity, during all these processions he would still be the beginning.

The suspension of the heavenly bodies in space, it is claimed, is dependent upon the laws which govern their motions. Axial and orbital revolutions maintain the equilibrium of the solar system. If such be the law of equilibrium in the solar system, to carry out the hypothesis it becomes necessary to acknowledge another remote center around which our system revolves. This center also must have not only an orbital motion of still greater magnitude; but Alcyone, with his and all corresponding systems, must be related to a still more remote center. So soon as we admit the existence of a center distinct from the sun, governed in the maintenance of his position in space by the law which it is claimed is essential to the equilibrium of the heavenly bodies in general, we thus deny the possibility of ever reaching an absolute center, for this reasoning precludes the possible existence of a final static point in space, and the law of centrality which we claim is due to and

essential to its part, is denied. This argument alone overthrows the present astronomical system.

Astronomy, as now taught and believed, leads to the ultimate conclusion that there is no God. If we deny that the physical universe has a final center, not dependent upon another but controlled by forces emanating from other supposed or imaginary centers, we must also deny that the spiritual universe or world of mind, has a sensorium or personal point or quality of thought and will, as the source or origin and beginning of all mental emanations. The physical universe is the only physical expression of Deity. If this has no prime center, as it cannot have if the present system be true, then Deity is the existence of a universal activity without a central personality.



#### THE BASIS OF DIVINE REVELATION.

The Expression of the Mind of Deity in the Structured Cosmos; Rational Application of the Laws of Correspondence.

FROM THE WRITINGS OF KORESH.

THE SENTIMENT PREVAILS almost universally throughout Christendom that no man, by the study and interpretation of Nature and the laws governing the physical universe, can learn of God and his purposes with man. It is almost if not quite universally believed that because of the inadequacy of Nature to completely reveal the divine character and purpose, God has made a special revelation of himself by means of the Holy Scriptures to supplement the revelation of Nature; and that such revelation possesses a special sanctity above and distinct from other channels of divine communication or other expressions of God to man. It is an abiding conviction with the Christian world that the Scriptural revelation is plenary; that it is the beginning and the ending for the necessity of the divine communication, for in it is the consummate exposition of prophetic purpose.

God makes two grand revelations of himself. One is in the absolutely truthful expression and exposition of the creative center, manifest in both evolution and involution, portrayed in the varied energies and phenomena of physical structure, animal life, and their coincident formulations; in other words, the expression of the mind of Deity in the formate structure denominated the physical universe. The other revelation is made through man as the instrument, and denominated the Holy Scriptures. The latter of these revelations is mainly regarded as the only revelation of God to man, because it is not generally known or conceded that Scriptural revelation is founded upon the science of the physical or material universe, and that illuminated men derive their illumination through the rational faculty by the application of the law of correspondence, the pediment or underlying stratum of

which is found in the most external things of God's creation.

Man, by the very nature of his organization, carrying in his every lineament the prophecy of his future greatness and the unmistakable evidence that he is destined for absolute dominion over all things, but confirms in his structural arrangement and the steady progress he is making towards the subjection of the laws and principles of the universe to himself, the prophetic statement made in Gen. i: 28: "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." The earth can only be subdued or subjugated and brought completely under the dominion of man through man's converse with all the laws, principles, and forces of being. Whether or not he is willing to concede the claim of divine authority and origin for this Book of books—namely, the Bible of the Jew and Christian, he is compelled to admit the confirmation of the foregoing statement by man's gradual but determinate progress towards such final subjugation.

Nature is susceptible of true and false interpretations, and in this respect is like the Bible. The diversity of conclusion resulting from physical investigation is owing to the diversity of inception, the *genus* of the impregnative center being *anthropos* or *Theoanthropos* respectively. The first invariably reads the Book of Nature falsely and concludes in atheism. The other (God-begotten) interprets truthfully and ultimates the thought in the unity of God and man. It may thus be perceived that the conclusions reached in the study of Nature must correspond with the character of the premise upon which rational processes are founded; and this premise is either true or false according to the quality of the mind center, whether it be God-derived or self-derived.



#### Astronomical Basis of Scientific Prophecy.

NO CHRONOLOGICAL datum predicated upon the metrical definitions of Zodiacal phenomena, in the relations of the solar system to the ecliptic, can be specifically correct without an aggregate calculus of all these factors. But that they demark with mathematical precision the events of anthropological evolutions and involutions, progressions and retrogressions, times of prosperity and adversity, and the revolutions essential to distinctive and advancing grades of civilization, there can be no reasonable question or justifiable doubt. Given an accurate knowledge of this complicated, divinely-wrought mechanism in its relations to biological existence, the career of every man and every nation may be definitely determined and the time known, not only when a national career shall end, but when, how, and where a new national existence shall project itself into the arena of its triumphs, defeats, and agonies.

## New Century Studies and Reviews

Lucie Page Borden

### THE INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

The Recognized Greatness and Heroism of the Man of the Hour;  
Lincoln and Roosevelt Compared and Contrasted.

THE INAUGURATION is past. The theme on every man's tongue is President Roosevelt, the twenty-sixth Executive of the United States of America. He is not a man who has found himself in the Presidential office without due preparation; nor is he wanting in those qualities of greatness which reach out for distinction and appreciation. His name is honored as that of no other citizen has been honored since his great predecessor, Abraham Lincoln, took his departure from earth wearing a martyr's crown.

The scenes of enthusiasm in the city of Washington are not to be duplicated by any pageants in the history of this country for brilliancy and spectacular effect. The center of the great panorama is Theodore Roosevelt, the hero of the American people. His character is in the mind of every true-hearted patriot, as that of Lincoln was in the minds of his fellow citizens when the great emergency arose which tested the strength of the nation. The man who received the homage of admiring crowds on the fourth of March, 1905, is not destined to see the country drenched in fraternal blood shed in behalf of the slave. By his own executive acts he has just emphasized the results of that struggle in an especial manner. "By the least of these my brethren, ye do honor me," was the injunction of the great Master. By remembering the colored man on Inauguration day and setting open the doors for the erstwhile slave, the President has remembered the Master's injunction. He has given the colored men what they want most in America, a recognized social standing which says, "Come into my presence, for you are welcome in the name of Him who has made of one blood all the nations of the earth."

The respect which has been shown for President Roosevelt is not confined to his own party, but is shared by men of all shades of political feeling. The sentiments he expressed in the inaugural address are such as appeal in an especial manner to every lover of freedom and justice. His name stands for much in future, but it never will stand for more than it did on Inauguration day when he stood up in view of the multitude of spectators and saluted the working-men whose banner said, "We honor the man who settled our strike." Graver emergencies may be seen in future, but the utility of settling the strike which menaced the comfort of the American fireside, in an amicable manner will not be questioned.

The qualities which have rendered the President famous are his sterling sense and his unbiased decision. In this respect he is not inferior to any other man who

has stood in the United States Capitol. The Chief Magistrate of this free and enlightened country is not too proud to take the Negro by the hand; neither is he too pliable in forwarding the schemes of the men who are seeking selfish ends in preference to the good of the people.

The inaugural ceremonies at Washington were enlivened by many incidents. None has been chronicled that presents the President in a more significant light than the simple fact that he wore upon his finger the ring of Abraham Lincoln whose name closed his address. It was an especial feature, not overlooked by the reporters and wiseacres. The thoughtful attention of the great throngs was riveted upon the uplifted hand of the incoming President as he raised it to take the oath of office. They saw there the ring of destiny and perhaps,—who shall say?—that ring means the wedding of the spirit of Lincoln with that of the nation he died to save in a manner that is now undreamed.

Lincoln's name is one which makes every heart respond, because he believed in the future of the nation no more than in the future of the slave. He wanted to see the Negro race raised out of the slough of degradation, and he desired to set the crown of intellect on the low forehead of the slave by educating him and cultivating his talents. The man who stands today in the place of Lincoln is in no whit less noble in his devotion to the cause of human welfare, because he came from a New York mansion instead of a rail-splitters cabin. The college man is as wise in his day and generation as he whose studies were lighted by a pine torch. "No color line on Inauguration day" shows the two men are one in desire to uplift and bless.

There was much to command attention in the speech itself, but the speaker engaged all eyes; and when the crowd saw that Theodore Roosevelt had come into office by their votes, they had no power to restrain their enthusiasm. The man who was pushed into obscurity in the vice-president's office by political demagogues who supposed he was "shelved" for the next four years under the McKinley administration, came to the front. It was an example of the fact that the right man is going to levitate to the place designed for him by Providence.

The oath of office was administered in an impressive manner, and the dignity of the occasion was enhanced by the fine presence of the venerable Magistrate. The sudden flash of sunlight which illumined the scene made the whole ceremony seem gladdened by the approval of heaven. The inauguration is past. The work of Theodore Roosevelt as an independently elected President is to be seen in the future. For the present he is the nation's hero, as well as its Chief Executive.

The hour of destiny is not always known. That time in President Roosevelt's career remains to be chronicled by historians of the future; but he cut the Gordian knot by striking out for himself, instead of lending himself to be the tool of political stock-jobbers, who wanted to force him to recognize no authority but theirs. He crushed the Northern Securities merger.

## The Limitation and Personality of Deity.

THERE ARE THINGS in heaven and earth which transcend the ordinary grasp of the human intellect. There are laws which bring man into rapport with the truths of Nature. One of these laws is that of the periodical reappearance of the same mind clothed in flesh, coming in a different personality.

The mask or covering of the spiritual being is the *persona*, the person himself. Now, it is not best to disregard the personality, nor reduce it to thin air in a vain attempt to consider the body as an abnormal thing. Nor is it wise to classify man as nothing but spirit, for the spirit, soul, and body form the triunity of attributes which distinguish him. The reappearance of the deific Mind at stated intervals takes place according to fixed law—the law of seed time and harvest. The animal nature of Deity is also a factor in the process by which He appears, for the fixed attraction to the animal plane brings Him into sympathy with human conditions.

The controversy in regard to the definition of God given by Dr. Lyman Abbott has been accentuated by a card of inquiry by the distinguished writer and scientist, Goldwin Smith. He quotes Dr. Abbott's statement of belief in God as "a great and ever present force, which is manifest in all the activities of man and all the workings of nature, and at the same time has a personality." "We honor the preacher for his boldness," says the author, "but I fail to grasp the idea of a force with a personality. Is the force self-created? Is it limited by opposition? If it is not, how can it be manifested? If it is, how can it be God? At all events, I see no possibility of ever verifying such a hypothesis or founding anything upon it."

Force is the measure of the activity of either matter or spirit. The activities of the physical universe are shown both in matter and in spirit. To deny the existence of either one or the other is not an evidence of sanity of judgment. The products of thoughts are as real as those of physical activity; and to ascribe to physiological sources the phenomena of intellect is quite right in one sense, for thought is the product of the dematerialization of matter. On the other hand, when the materialist assumes that there is nothing substantial beyond the activities of cell and fiber, he is in danger of rushing into the same error as the so-called idealist, the disciple of Berkeley, who denied reality to the phenomena of Nature. Matter and spirit both exist and force is the measure of their activity.

According to Goldwin Smith, Dr. Abbott's hypothesis is not verifiable because God cannot be himself and yet be limited by opposition, as force must be in order to be manifested. The limitation of Deity is the very fact which is maintained by scientific principles. God is not force in the sense that these gentlemen use the term, but wherever he is, force is manifested. He is the joining point or *nexus* of matter and spirit, and the source of all activity in the universe. The God-man is the personal Deity, not the great force. The activities

of the Creator are limited by the laws of His own being. He has to suffer an eclipse like the physical sun; and unlike that luminary, when His light is quenched it is sometimes long before it reappears.

The periodicity of the Divine manifestation is the law of recurring cycles, as well as that of seed time and harvest. The limitation by which force is manifested, is it not the reaction of matter and spirit, the two forms of universal substance? Matter and spirit react upon one another. This is activity. Force is the measure of this activity. A horse's force means the number of tons it can draw. The force of Deity, is it not the amount of work He can do as a personal being?

His measure of activity is full when he has accomplished his mission. It is full when he has brought forth his offspring. The generation of the Sons of God is the supreme activity of the universe, and in this service God fulfils the laws of his own nature.

Goldwin Smith is not the only one who fails to grasp the idea of a force with a personality. A personal Deity whose activities are shown in the cosmos as well as in the realm of mind, and whose force-out does the sun, is the climax of creation.

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## THE NEW ASTROLOGICAL YEAR.

Reading of the Horoscope of the Year 1905; the Importance of Estero, Florida, for Universal Astro-Biological Computations.

ON MARCH TWENTY-FIRST the Sun in his progress through the Zodiac entered the constellation Aries, giving birth thereby to another of those annual revolutions that determine the astrological year. The vernal ingress marks the nativity of a new year; and the hour of its birth is denoted by the moment that the sun, having run his course through Pisces, passes into the first degree of Aries. A figure of the heavens drawn up for this hour should prefigure the general trend of events that are likely to characterize it.

It is obvious that the maps that are drawn up at this moment must be related, each one specifically, to the particular locality from which the calculation is made, and that therefore, although the aspects in the spiritual horoscope are alike, their relation to the biological horoscope must differ in many important particulars. It is for this reason that at this season we find the astrological publications issuing maps that are erected for localities that are widely separated from one another, in order that a general view may be obtained of the conditions that are likely to affect "this planet" as a whole during the forthcoming year. Thus we find horoscopes computed for St. Petersburg and indicative of the prospects of Russia; at Tokio for Japan; at Washington for the United States; and at London for England—the capital of a country being taken as the basis from which the fortunes of its environments are to be ascertained.

Now, it is a fact that is worthy of note, that up to the present time the astrologers have not been able to locate any one spot on the earth's surface that is so situated in relation to the universal currents, that it will respond to all the vibrations that operate in the world at large; no place or city of universal influence where a synthesis of the activities of the world are recorded in the same manner that the brain records the experiences and operations of the body; no central human pulse whose beats provide an index to the health of the masses of humanity; no facial dial on which are inscribed the expressions that afford a key to the feelings of the universal corporation.

The astrologers chronicle the movements of their physical sun; they provide a house or mansion for his accommodation and two constellations which are said to provide him with specific qualities of force or power, and in which he is said to especially delight or "joy." But they have not yet discovered either the existence or the whereabouts of the anthropostic representative of the solar orb; the human constellations that consti-

The accompanying chart has been drawn up for 1: 28 a. m., on March 21, 1905, being the moment at which the sun enters Aries when computed from the Town of Estero, the locality that has been specified by CYRUS, the anthropostic Sun, as the central point of influence and out-fluence in the external world of human and physical environments, and hence the throne and point of exaltation from which the dictum of the orb of day, on the occasion of his annual revolution, may be viewed and read in its widest and most universal sense.

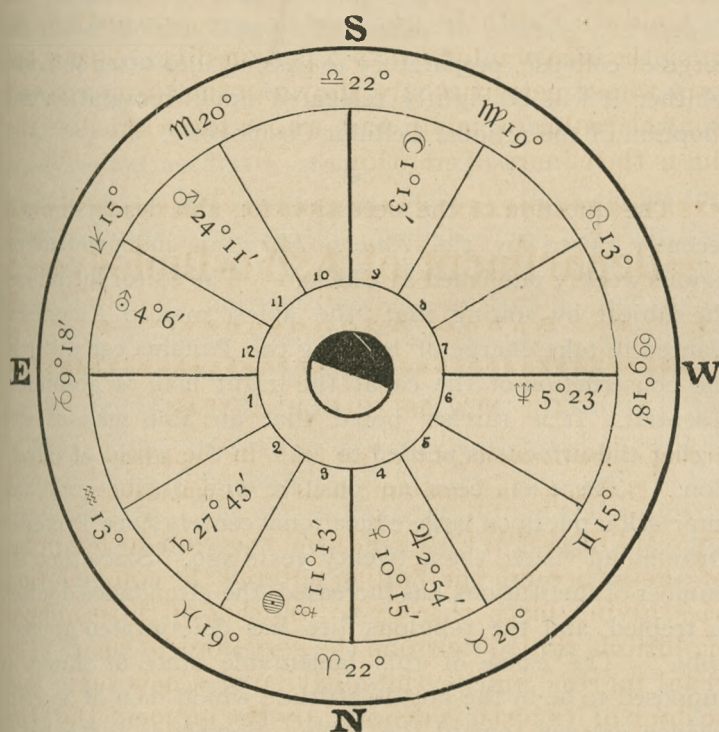
The two planets that stand out most conspicuously in this horoscope, and that therefore indicate the quality of the forces that will exercise a predominating influence over human affairs during the proximate year, are Uranus and Neptune, who narrowly view each other from the first and seventh angles respectively; this interesting and important opposition once more claiming a major share of attention. It is, moreover, of some import that this horoscope, which differs in but a small degree from that erected for Washington at the same time, should display this opposition from the same angles as does that of the Presidential inauguration, the only difference being that the position of the planets is reversed.

We have already discoursed too freely in previous articles, on the value of this aspect to make it worth while to reiterate its importance or to repeat its significations. It will therefore be sufficient to note its position and to pass on to the positions occupied by the Sun and Moon who, like their two planetary counterparts, steadily rivet their gaze on each others forms, only a single degree separating the Moon from a complete opposition to the major luminary. This brings the lights into a close square with the rising and setting planets, constructing thereby a cross, of which Uranus and Neptune compose the horizontal, and the Sun and Moon the perpendicular.

As the sun occupies the house of the Twins, and the Moon that of the Archer, some very sharp controversies along scientific and doctrinal lines are certain to ensue—more especially as Mercury is in close attendance of the Sun. The power of modern science to uproot the traditions of the churches, on which they rely for support, must increase; and the materialistic tendencies of the time will from several quarters receive a fresh impetus. In the commercial world, the relations between master and man will become more strained, notwithstanding the increase in production indicated by the close association of Jupiter and Venus.

In the world of international politics the aspects of Venus, lady of the tenth, would not appear to fore-shadow a very bellicose period; yet the Oriental position of Mars in the house of friends, to whose opposition she appears to apply, augurs ill for the success of Hague conferences, and prefigures an uneasy time for the occupants of many earthly thrones. The map generally indicates a time of restless activity in all domains of human endeavor, and of alarms and preparations for hostilities, rather than the actual outbreaks themselves.

This closing of the great universal battery which occurs just at this juncture, and which is shown by the solar and lunar opposition, contains mysteries that we are not at the present time in a position to unravel; and we shall therefore make no attempt to exceed the bounds which time still imposes, but content ourselves with commending to the careful consideration of the student this chart, which possesses the rather unique distinction of being the first horoscope of the world's new year that has been presented to the public in modern times.



**Horoscope of the Year 1905.**  
Vernal Ingress at Estero, Fla.

tute his environment; the central and terrestrial locality in which his throne has been established and his dignity confirmed; nor the scene of his mental exaltations. But it must be generally conceded by these gentry that if such a personality existed, and if he were to specify any one spot in particular as the seat of his terrestrial government, such locality would become the *vital spot* in the universe and the *basis* from which should be made all astrological computations that are to have a universal bearing and cosmic signification.

When the Sun is in Aries he is said to be "exalted," for at this season the qualities and substances of whatsoever kind that during the past year have been poured into the universal body, spring forth and upward and reproduce themselves outwardly through the medium of the brain and mind, and affairs generally in all domains may be said to come to a head. The seeds which experience has implanted have germinated, the nucleus of a new tree has arisen, and a fresh crop of fruitful experiences will again be reaped when the solar orb on the completion of his hymeneal arc, descends once again to the couch of his marital rest.



## In The Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.



THE DOOM OF THE UNIVERSE is inevitable, according to the ablest and most eminent of the so called scientists of the twentieth century. It seems strange from the Koreshan point of view that the human mind should ever conceive that the great system of existence, upon which *life itself depends*, should in time cease to be. Yet the idea is one of the most persistent of modern times. Advocates of the prevailing system can offer no hope whatever for the continuity of the universe. Nature, with all its principles and laws of activity, with all its present promises of happiness and avenues of enjoyment, is assigned to oblivion by those who are supposed to know the laws of the stars. Lord Kelvin believes that the sun has not existed a hundred million years, and that the earth cannot continue to enjoy the light and heat of the sun for many million years longer—"unless sources now unknown to us are prepared in the great storehouse of creation." Some men have guessed that perhaps the interior of the earth contains radium, so that when the sun goes out, we may have a little comfort in the processes of radio-activity as we journey through the dark and cheerless expanse of space. Comforting view, that, of the future of man and the future of the cosmos! And now Professor Pickering, of Harvard, discovers various irregularities in the solar system, serious enough to lead to speculation as to whether the universe is not now on the verge of catastrophe. According to him, the universe is wobbling; the earth and several of the planets are tipping. Even Neptune, said to be the most staid planet of all, shows signs of agitation. Jupiter is acquiring bad habits, and there is no telling how soon the sun may want to cool himself in some shady portion of the universe; or suddenly abscond to some universal Canada with all the cash! Perhaps the most offending member in the solar system at present is Phoebe, the ninth satellite of Saturn. Sister Phoebe seems to be causing a lot of trouble, and she may have to be severely punished by imprisonment or exile. She has broken all the rules laid down in the nebular hypothesis, in which all revolving orbs are to move in regular order in a given direction. But Sister Phoebe persists in her retrograde tendencies all the time. She is following the example of Hyperion, which was the first Saturnine convert to the principles followed by all the satellites of Uranus, and by the one known satellite of Neptune. Now, why should not all these satellites as well as many other heavenly bodies, be obedient to the requirements of modern astronomy? The astronomers have very obligingly gone to a vast deal of trouble in the line of stellar legislation, but they are disregarded. Copernicus made circular orbits for the planets; but they wanted to revolve in ellipses according to the demands of Kepler. Then they grew tired of Kepler; they wanted a mathematical fad and found it in Newton. Following, they took up the nebular hypothesis until a new wrinkle was conceived. So the stars are always on the lookout for new fashion plates as they are turned out of the observatories. Professor Pickering is "all broken up" over the conduct of Sister Phoebe, but he inclines to

be philosophical and gracious to a fault, and seeks a basis on which he can excuse her. The gyroscope has given him an idea: The rings and satellites of Saturn constitute a gyroscope; the orbit of Sister Phoebe is the outer ring, which is necessarily impelled in a direction opposed to that of the revolving gyroscope disc proper. When Professor Pickering can construct a gyroscope after the plan of arrangement of the Saturnine rings and satellities, we will accept his explanation as true. If he wishes to see a real universal gyroscope, however, he will have to turn his attention to the cellular cosmos, where the principles of the gyroscope are continually operative. The world should not fear the destruction of the universe, as predicted by astronomers. It is not the universe that is doomed, by the Copernican system of astronomy itself, which is on the verge of collapse, preparatory to passing into utter oblivion, whither it will be rightly relegated upon recognition and adoption of the rational Cellular Cosmogony.

The question of the necessity for able leadership was recently raised by the *Ram's Horn*, an independent religious weekly published at Chicago. The editor introduces the subject by stating that "the ablest man in America is wanted to take charge of building the Panama canal." In the construction of the canal the right man is absolutely essential. It is further noted that an able man of still higher endowment is needed to lead in the world of education. "There has been no positive and distinct religious impression put upon large educational centers since Professor Drummond visited them twenty years ago. Since then the number of institutions has increased, the attendance doubled or trebled, and the religious life has deteriorated appreciably." The cause of this lamentable state of things is supposed to be in the hostile attitude which men of modern science assume toward the Bible. Somebody is wanted to save the coming generation from materialism and skepticism, which is now making ravages upon the mind of the young and creating low standards of intellectual and moral attainments. It is said that because of this it is "all the more necessary that a man be raised up, who will have the infinite wisdom and inspired sense to deal with this great multitude of young men and women, who are to be the leaders of thought in the generation that is almost here. Where is the man for this vast responsibility?" The necessity for the coming of the man is recognized. Let the thought be impressed upon the world—an able Man is needed to educate the educated; to lead the leaders; to instill the principles of Christianity into the mind of Christians; and to demonstrate science to the scientists. Where is the man? Does the world contain him? In the processes of time will he be produced to meet the exigencies of the hour? Koreshanity has the only possibly correct answer to this question—and its declarations are not only in the affirmative, but emphatically to the effect that the Man is now in the world, and his office and mission will ultimately be recognized.

In the campaign of 1896, William McKinley was heralded as the advance agent of prosperity. The atmosphere was full of prophecies of better times. The great national panacea was more protection, designed to bring more wealth to the millionaire and more wages to the laborer. The nation would prosper as never before and become great not only behind the walls of the protective tariff, but beyond the seas whither the American lines of commerce should extend. There has been a measure of fulfilment of these predictions. During the McKinley administration, America entered upon a new career as a great world power, with the semblance of an empire, having extensive colonial possessions. Under the McKinley administration the golden calf was set up, and the nation has taken on the color of the great god of gold, which the people love, and which they worship with all their might. But prosperity alone is not the ideal. Professor Hadley, of Princeton, declares that western democracy is responsible for American greed, which is the very essence of competitive selfishness. And now comes President Roosevelt with his warning against the worship of the golden calf: "It is a good thing to have extraordinary material prosperity, which has followed so largely on extraordinary scientific discoveries—if we use it aright. It is a bad thing if we make it the ideal for this nation. If the people of this republic adopt the view that material well being is the only thing to be striven for, we are laying up for ourselves not merely trouble, but ruin." The great President is looking for changes: "Wonderful changes have come in the last few years. It may well be that we tremble on the verge of still greater changes in the future." They are the changes of the period of transition, which involves the operation of the factors of ruin as well as construction. The new order comes through birth-throes; and President Roosevelt may live to witness the inauguration of the era of high ideals and righteous attainments.

The end of all learning is life; that is, true science applied to man constitutes the only genuine cure for death. Modern science has failed to discover anything that in any way absolutely guarantees immunity from mortal dissolution. Its votaries have not found a single *certain* remedy for any disease afflicting humanity. The mission of modern science is not to make alive, but to *kill*. The skill and ingenuity of scientists are called into requisition for the invention and construction of great engines of war. That destruction by modern scientific methods may be swift and most terrible, may be seen in the loss of one half of General Kouropatkin's great army at Mukden. Perhaps some scientist even feels proud of having invented the apparatus for the electrocution of murderers. It is certain that thousands of physicians and surgeons are gratified at employing experimental methods of giving extra jobs to the undertakers. New methods of vivisection, not of animals, but of *men and women*, constantly engage the attention of the medical wiseacres. The doctors are adepts at writing death certificates. Dr. Osler has thought it advisable to recommend that when his age limit of three score years is reached, science be called upon to cause death painlessly. Modern science makes it easy for man to die. Left to die naturally, men may be too slow in leaving the world. When they

get down near death's door, let the doctors "pull them through"—there is money in it. Death without pain may be welcomed; let modern science confer its blessings! The scientists have not touched the issues of life, *except with the hand of the destroyer!* Not one mystery of life have they solved. Modern science is death, inimical to every process of life. It is the perverted wisdom, the way that seems right unto the unenlightened, but the end thereof is death. The knowledge of the wise men is to be made foolishness and their wisdom turned backward, in order to save men and women from their power.

Feeble attempts at revivals in religion are being made in different parts of America and Great Britain. There was nothing new nor startling developed in the much advertised Torrey revival in London. The preaching was along the old worn-out lines and failed to stir the modern world, which will require something new and practical and vital, and intellectual withal. At Louisville, Kentucky, evangelists have instituted a crusade against various dens of vice, including all-night saloons, with their bawdy-house attachments. It is said that if Christians were wide enough awake in their various localities, such institutions would not exist. True enough—and all to the discredit of modern Christian institutions and so called Christian civilization. The Christians are *not* awake, and that is what is the matter. The church has declined from its primitive purity and power. It is in a bad plight. Corruption reigns on every hand—in matters of church as well as state; in common business as well as in gambling circles. And the principles of the primitive Christian system have so far been ignored in the most external relations of humanity, as to admit of forms of oppression, the destruction of which today baffles the skill and ingenuity of the nation's greatest statesmen. Under the present circumstances and conditions, the blasphemy of calling modern countries, Christian nations, becomes more and more apparent.

Bishop McFaul presumes to make some startling revelations of the character of the social life of the New York smart set. He says: "Society is literally soaked with alcohol. Ask the wine merchant and the groceryman to whose houses they carry spiritous liquors, and they will tell you to the homes of the rich and the exclusive social set." The bishop is emphatic in his denunciation of so called society women who, he says, are habitual drunkards, and in the privacy of their own homes freely indulge their intemperate tastes—and he insinuates that these indulgences are not confined to their own homes. In view of the consequences of the widespread liquor traffic in the American nation, as pointed out by the bishop, we cannot refrain from noting that some years ago the daily press was bitter in its denunciation of Koreshanity on the unfounded charge that the System had broken up happy homes. Bishop McFaul asserts that *more than 1,000,000 persons* have had their homes broken up in the last few years through the influence of intoxicants; and it is estimated that *4,000,000 children* have been robbed of their right to have a real home. And yet the daily press has very little to say about the liquor traffic, and of the fact that intoxicants constitutes one of the most destructive factors operative in the American nation.

# The Open Court of Inquiry.

THE EDITOR.

## The Optical Factor in Astronomy.

"Will you please explain as clearly and thoroughly as space in the Inquiry Department of THE FLAMING SWORD will admit, the phenomena manifest in the rising and setting of the sun? The first impression in our eye when the sun is rising is what appears to be the top portion coming up from behind the earth, as though the earth were a convex sphere. In setting, what appears to be the lower portion disappears first—seeming to emphasize the conclusion of many that the earth is a convex globe. I have seen explanations of these phenomena, but nothing satisfactory to my mind as yet."

The phenomena of the heavens seem to many minds to accord with the conclusions of the Copernican system, for the reason that the system itself is founded, not upon fact, but upon the phenomena, which are nothing else nor less than appearances. A prominent writer on scientific subjects says: "In nothing perhaps in the human mind more liable to deception if its judgment be formed from *appearances* only, than in its estimation of those subjects which come properly within the sphere of astronomical science." There is essentially an *optical factor* in astronomy; and if the mind is ignorant of all the processes by which the existence of objects in the heavens are cognized by the mind, erroneous conclusions will necessarily be formed.

The simplest factor operative in the apparent rising and setting of the sun, is that of perspective foreshortening. Standing under an electric light tower, we may behold the light directly in the zenith of our field of vision. We may move considerable distance from the tower, and observe the light, though without actual change in altitude, apparently lowered toward the horizon; and if we go far enough from the base of the tower, the light will seem to touch the horizon. This would be so on the flattest plane imaginable. The supposed convexity of the surface over which we might move would have nothing to do with the apparent decline of the light as we receded.

Now, if there is such a thing as perspective foreshortening in the case of the light it must be also operative in the case of the universal luminary. But we are bold to affirm that if the

Copernican system were true, perspective could not be a factor in sunrise and sunset, neither a factor in the case of the electric light. In other words, if the Copernican system were true there would be no use for perspective foreshortening as applied to surveying and the study of astronomy. There *is* such a thing as perspective; therefore, it is applicable in every manifestation of objects to the human eye; and the modern astronomy is false.

A second factor in the case of the apparent rising and setting of the sun, in the fact that we are looking along *curved lines* of light, instead of straight lines. Modern astronomy is founded in accord with the idea that lines of light and vision are rectilinear. It is a mere assumption that radiations are in straight lines. The propagation of light is in accord with definite laws of transmission of substance, which in *atmospheres*, must necessarily be in curves, since the mediums of transmission are themselves spherical, and the strata of different degrees or planes of density are curved. The propagation of light is therefore curvilinear.

Combine the factors of perspective foreshortening and the curvilinear propagation of light and vision, and we have a perfect explanation of the phenomena of the rising and setting of the sun, when the mind follows a definite line of logic from the basis of demonstrated facts. There must be a definite premise to begin with. Eliminate unknown factors and quantities from the basis of reasoning, and there will be no assumptions in the conclusion.

The circle of the horizon is of definite boundary for the eye at a given altitude. On a level plane or on the sea, the horizon is where the lateral vision ceases to cognize impressions of the geolinear extense, the visual angles for successive mile spaces being too small to make an impression on the retinal surface. The vision leaves the earth at the horizon, and extends upward and outward in curves toward the rising or setting sun. When just coming into our view, the sun can do naught else than appear to the eye as coming up from behind the earth, and in set-

ting, to descend below what appears to be a material bulge—for a curved line may sustain the same geometrical relations to a concave surface, that a supposed straight line may sustain to a convex surface.

The distant surface of the concave earth itself, on which the horizon is formed, presents as effectual a barrier to vision of the sun, because of curved lines, as the supposed convex bulge of the earth is supposed to intercept the oncoming light of the morning sun and to cut off the light of the disappearing orb at evening. From the Koreshan point of view these phenomena are simple and easily explained—provided the subject be viewed from the Koreshan premise—that is, provided one possesses the mind with the entities of scientific truth, instead of the spirits of fallacy which begot the intellect.

## The Sweep of Day and Night.

"Please answer in the Open Court of Inquiry: Will you kindly explain the movements of the sun in relation to night and day. Why is it night a part of 24 hours, and day a part of the time? Why is the sun visible to us in northern latitudes at a certain part of the year, 15½ hours out of 24, and only 8½ in another part of the year?"

As simple as the problem of sunrise and sunset is the question of the cause of the succession of day and night in the cellular cosmos. At the center of the great universal cavity or cell, is the central sun, through the activities of which light and darkness are continually divided into solar hemispheres and radiated from opposite sides of the central orb. In other words, the central sun has light and dark sides. Between the center and the circumference three great atmospheres exist. In each atmosphere there is a projection or refocalization of light emitted from the center; and there is also on the opposite side of the cell, a refocalization of darkness. Now, the diurnal revolution of the central sun causes the revolution of the projections and the consequent sweep of day and night.

The area of daylight constitutes a hemisphere, and day at all times equals

in area the hemisphere of darkness. If one understands the explanation of the succession of day and night from the standpoint of the earth's convexity, there should be no difficulty in comprehending the real cause of the succession of day and night in the Koreshan Astronomy. It is obvious that when the sun is in the zenith of the earth's equator, with the heavens revolving in the plane of the equator, day and night are equal in length from pole to pole, because the dividing line between the hemispheres of light and darkness is due north and south. The sun is in such position twice a year—on March 21 and September 22, at the time of the vernal and autumnal equinoxes.

But the projected or visible sun has a yearly orbit along the line of the ecliptic, and consequently its path is oblique to the equator  $23\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . So when the sun is  $23\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  north of the equator, the dividing line between the hemispheres of light and darkness is oblique to the meridians at the same angle, and the area of daylight extends  $23\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  beyond the north pole. The reverse is true for northern latitudes when the sun is south of the equator at the winter solstice. Then the arc of the hemisphere of daylight lacks  $23\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  reaching the north pole, and there are short days at such points as Chicago, London and St. Petersburg, because short segments of the arc pass those points.

Just reverse the Copernican explanation of the cause of difference in length of day and night, considering the illumination on the inside instead of on the outside of the earth—and the subject becomes clear enough, we think. In order to produce night it is not necessary to suppose that some solid body casts a shadow. Darkness is as substantial as light. Darkness is not the mere absence of light; it is something in itself, a potent force necessary in the economy of the universe.

#### PARK GROUNDS AT ESTERO.

An Attractive Display of Ten Acres of Tropical Beauty.

Perhaps one of the most beautiful and attractive spots in Southern Florida is the Park at Estero, which constitutes the public grounds of the new town, and the grounds of the Koreshan Unity. It has

been said by visitors acquainted with the attractions of Florida, that Estero Park exceeds in beauty anything of like character south of Tampa, even rivaling the parks of that city. Certain it is that there is nothing like it in this part of the State.

Visitors approaching Estero may see evidences of the existence of the park, in the palms and pines, and in the graceful forms of the giant eucalyptus trees swaying in the breeze; on closer view may be observed groups of waving bamboos, which give the grounds an Oriental as well as a tropical appearance; and then after passing the entrance to the grounds, a hundred shades of green, interspersed with as many different colors of flowers and foliage, greet the eye. Frequent expressions of surprise are called forth by the fact that the Estero Park does not consist in wild woods with foot-paths, but of broad lawns, adorned with an immense variety of cultivated trees, shrubs, and flowers, all well kept and artistically arranged along the wide shell walks, the canal, river banks, knolls, and mounds.

The park at present consists of ten acres in which the trees and shrubs are all carefully trimmed and tended. Of the grounds proper, four acres comprise the beautiful lawn extending between the main building and the river. Here one treads a carpet of green, comprised of real lawn grass like that grown in lawns and parks of the cities. If it has been thought that the sandy soil of Florida is unsuitable for the development of a desirable lawn, the park grounds at Estero are a standing refutation of the idea; and the rich foliage seen here on every hand as one walks through the park, attests the fact that the soil is fertile and adapted to the cultivation of a great variety of the products of horticulture and floriculture.

The Estero park grounds are not a dead flat, but undulating, making ideal grounds for a most beautiful display of fruit and ornamental trees, and shrubs and plants. The winding stream gives picturesqueness to the tropical scenery, and along the banks are many beautiful spots, nooks, points, and angles, made lovely through artistic touches of industrious and experienced hands. In the park proper are two landings or river entrances to the grounds—one, the Bamboo Landing, which has been used for several years as a public landing, from which paths lead through groups of bamboos up the terraces to the main level of the park; the other is the Imperial Landing, the form of which is already laid out and kept intact, awaiting final and fixed construction with cement and paving stone. Here broad steps or terraces, after

the ancient Egyptian style of steps leading from palace to edge of the Nile, extend down from the park level to the landing proper. Here also is a giant bed of French cannas, richly bordered with zenias.

In the more flat portions of the park, mounds are constructed. From the one at the Imperial Landing, a beautiful silky oak is rapidly attaining glory and dignity as the mound's center and climax. In the front of the cottage of Victoria Gratia, attractive designs of walks and flower-beds, double hearts and *fleur-de-lis*, may be seen; and in another place is an enclosed flower garden, where numerous pot-plants and vines stand in profusion.

Visitors to Estero Park often express surprise at the great variety of trees and plants in the grounds. A number of pines which originally grew in the wild forest, as well as the well-known palmettoes, are conspicuous alongside the eucalyptus and bamboos. Then are noted the orange, lemon, mango, banana, mulberry, Japanese persimmon, avocado pear, guava, loquat plumb, and other tropical fruit-trees of Florida; the royal and dwarf poincianas, Hawaiian walnut, magnolia, Chinaberry, camphor trees, royal palm, date palm, fig trees, black pepper, fire-plant, rose bushes, sisal plants, alamanda, oleander, lilies, foliage plants, Jasmine,

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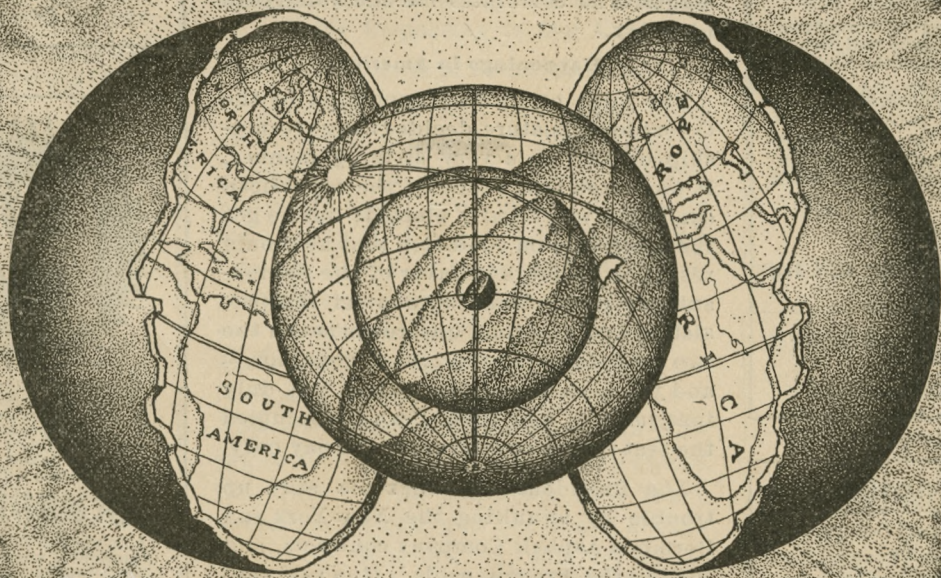
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